[Mr. K. George.]

casual vacancies that arose were filled from this list, applicants being selected in the order in which their names appeared on this list.

For admissions to the Honours course in Mathematics, applicants should have passed the Intermediate Examination in the first attempt and secured first class or high second class marks and at least distinction marks in Mathematics in the Intermediate Examination.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): With regard to the answers to parts (*c*) and (*d*), may I know whether there were not applications from Travancoreans for the Honours course?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): For the Honours course the best candidates available are selected because there are certain restrictions regarding the admissions.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): May I know whether there were not applications from Travancoreans?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot say whether there were applications with the prescribed qualifications.

Statements, by caste, of the applicants for admission to, and of those admitted in, the Science College.

288. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table:

(*a*) a statement, by caste, of the applicants for admission to each of the groups of the Intermediate, B. A., and B. A. (Hons.) classes of the Science College during the current academical year; and

(*b*) the number admitted in each of the groups in each class?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): A statement* furnishing the information asked for by the member is laid on the table.

G. O. re preferential treatment of graduates in the matter of appointments in the undergraduate scale.

289. **MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR** (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have issued any order to the effect that preference should be given to graduates in the matter of appointments in the undergraduate scale; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, whether the Dewan Peishkar, Quilon, has given places to graduates while the senior undergraduates, who had acting services, were out of employment?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The distinction between graduate and undergraduate scales for ministerial appointments was abolished as per G. O. Dis. No. 431 of 26/P. W., dated 26-4-1926, under which both graduates and non-graduates are to start as clerks in the lowest grade.

(*b*) Two graduates were allowed to continue in the Quilon Division in their appointments without being reverted and senior undergraduates appointed in their places, as the vacancies were short and as frequent changes of hands would lead to serious dislocation of work.

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